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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Proposed amendments to motion on
“Promoting long-term sports development”**

Further to LC Paper No. CB(3) 339/10-11 issued on 21 December 2010, three Members (Hon WONG Kwok-hing, Hon Tanya CHAN, and Hon IP Kwok-him) have respectively given notice of their intention to move separate amendments to Hon KAM Nai-wai’s motion on “Promoting long-term sports development” scheduled for the Council meeting of 5 January 2011. As directed by the President, the respective proposed amendments will be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

2. The President will order a joint debate on the above motion and amendments. To assist Members in debating the motion and amendments, I set out below the procedure to be followed during the debate:

- (a) the President calls upon Hon KAM Nai-wai to speak and move his motion;
- (b) the President proposes the question on Hon KAM Nai-wai’s motion;
- (c) the President calls upon the three Members, who intend to move amendments, to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:
 - (i) Hon WONG Kwok-hing;
 - (ii) Hon Tanya CHAN; and
 - (iii) Hon IP Kwok-him;

- (d) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) the President invites other Members to speak;
- (f) the President gives leave to Hon KAM Nai-wai to speak for the second time on the amendments;
- (g) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) again to speak;
- (h) in accordance with Rule 34(5) of the Rules of Procedure, the President has decided that he will call upon the three Members to move their respective amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above. The President invites Hon WONG Kwok-hing to move his amendment to the motion, and forthwith proposes and puts to vote the question on Hon WONG Kwok-hing's amendment;
- (i) after Hon WONG Kwok-hing's amendment has been voted upon, the President deals with the other two amendments; and
- (j) after all amendments have been dealt with, the President calls upon Hon KAM Nai-wai to reply. Thereafter, the President puts to vote the question on Hon KAM Nai-wai's motion, or his motion as amended, as the case may be.

3. For Members' ease of reference, the terms of the original motion and of the motion, if amended, are set out in the **Appendix**.

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for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion debate on
“Promoting long-term sports development”
to be held at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 5 January 2011**

1. Hon KAM Nai-wai’s original motion

That the Hong Kong Government has decided to bid to host the 2023 Asian Games, but it has not put forward any blueprint for long-term sports development, in that it lacks commitment to promote community-wide participation in sports and has no plan to improve training for local athletes, this Council expresses disappointment in this regard; following the Government’s failure to bid to host the 2006 Asian Games 10 years ago, it has failed to honour its undertaking of building sports venues, and the hosting of the 2009 East Asian Games did not foster a culture of promoting community-wide participation in sports, this Council considers that the Hong Kong Government should formulate and implement a long-term policy on sports, enhance training for local athletes and treat them well, take concrete steps to promote sports for all, and establish a sound administrative structure for sports; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to implement the following measures:

- (a) to draw up a 10-year blueprint for sports development, set objectives for community-wide participation in sports, and undertake planning for local athletes’ training; regardless of whether the bid to host the Asian Games is successful or not, the Government should allocate \$6 billion for establishing a ‘Sports Fund’, with a view to promoting the policy on community-wide participation in sports and enhancing training for local athletes;
- (b) to establish a mechanism for protecting current and retired athletes, provide scholarships for their pursuit of further studies overseas or locally, and put in place measures to ensure their employment; and by making reference to overseas experience, to provide commercial organizations with tax concessions, so as to encourage the trades to employ current or retired athletes;
- (c) to allocate funds for supporting athletes’ after-training academic learning, with a view to providing them with learning assistance in foundation academic subjects, and to hold discussions with universities

on allocating additional resources for providing places specifically for athletes;

- (d) to construct more district sports facilities and venues, and allow members of the public and students to have priority in using such utility-based district sports venues, thereby promoting sports for all;
- (e) to improve students' opportunities to participate in sports, including increasing the number and duration of physical education lessons in secondary and primary schools, so as to cultivate students' interest in sports;
- (f) to make accurate and precise estimation on the costs of constructing sports venues and submit them to the Legislative Council for scrutiny, so that this Council can scrutinize the Government's applications based on the needs for the development of sports for all and elite sports in different districts; and
- (g) to reform the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and the various National Sports Associations by requiring them to introduce professional administrative management and increase transparency of their finances, as well as to establish reasonable selection and appeal mechanisms, so as to ensure fair treatment of all athletes.

2. Motion as amended by Hon WONG Kwok-hing

That, *as* the Hong Kong Government has decided to bid to host the 2023 Asian Games, but *all along*, it has not put forward any blueprint for long-term *and comprehensive* sports development, in that it lacks commitment to promote community-wide participation in sports and has no plan to improve training for local athletes, this Council expresses disappointment in this regard; following the Government's failure to bid to host the 2006 Asian Games 10 years ago, it has failed to honour its undertaking of building sports venues, and the hosting of the 2009 East Asian Games did not foster a culture of promoting community-wide participation in sports, this Council considers that the Hong Kong Government should formulate and implement a long-term *and comprehensive* policy on sports, enhance training for local athletes and treat them well, take concrete steps to promote sports for all, and establish a sound administrative structure for sports; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to implement the following measures:

- (a) *by way of extensive consultation and mobilizing public participation*, to draw up a 10-year blueprint for sports development, set objectives for community-wide participation in sports, and undertake planning for local athletes' training; regardless of whether the bid to host the Asian Games is successful or not, the Government should allocate \$6 billion for establishing a 'Sports Fund', with a view to promoting the policy on community-wide participation in sports and enhancing training for local athletes;
- (b) *to conduct extensive consultation with the Hong Kong sports sector and athletes, and on this basis*, to establish a mechanism for protecting current and retired athletes, *and at the same time* provide scholarships for their pursuit of further studies overseas or locally, and put in place measures to ensure their employment; and by making reference to overseas experience, to provide commercial organizations with tax concessions, so as to encourage the trades to employ current or retired athletes;
- (c) to allocate funds for supporting athletes' after-training academic learning, with a view to providing them with learning assistance in foundation academic subjects, and to hold discussions with universities on allocating additional resources for providing places specifically for athletes;
- (d) to construct more district sports facilities and venues, and allow members of the public and students to have priority in using such utility-based district sports venues, *and at the same time to extensively install simple fitness facilities suitable for people of different ages in parks and public housing estates throughout the territory*, thereby promoting sports for all;
- (e) to improve students' opportunities to participate in sports, including increasing the number and duration of physical education lessons in secondary and primary schools, so as to cultivate students' interest in sports;
- (f) to make accurate and precise estimation on the costs of constructing sports venues and ~~submit them~~ *expeditiously submit information about all the sports venues and facilities proposed to be constructed or improved under the plan to bid to host the Asian Games* to the Legislative Council for scrutiny, so that this Council can scrutinize the Government's applications based on the needs for the development of sports for all and elite sports in different districts; ~~and~~ *and their relevant timetables*;

- (g) to *urge the relevant authorities to study how to* reform the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and the various National Sports Associations by requiring them to introduce professional administrative management and increase transparency of their finances, as well as to establish reasonable selection and appeal mechanisms, so as to ensure fair treatment of all athletes; *and*
- (h) *to urge the relevant departments and sports institutions to undertake studies on the salaries and fringe benefits of sports coaches, instructors and counsellors, etc., and conduct timely reviews, so as to facilitate the retention and nurturing of local sports elites.*

Note: Hon WONG Kwok-hing's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

3. Motion as amended by Hon Tanya CHAN

That the Hong Kong Government, *without obtaining public consensus*, has decided to ~~bid~~ *persist in bidding* to host the 2023 Asian Games, but it has not put forward any blueprint for long-term sports development, in that it lacks commitment to promote community-wide participation in sports and has no plan to improve training for local athletes, this Council expresses disappointment in this regard; following the Government's failure to bid to host the 2006 Asian Games 10 years ago, it has failed to honour its undertaking of building sports venues, and the hosting of the 2009 East Asian Games did not foster a culture of promoting community-wide participation in sports, this Council considers that the Hong Kong Government should formulate and implement a long-term policy on sports, enhance training for local athletes and treat them well, take concrete steps to promote sports for all, and establish a sound administrative structure for sports *to upgrade the corporate governance standards of the various National Sports Associations*; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to implement the following measures:

- (a) *by making reference to the Report of the Sports Policy Review Team entitled 'Towards a more sporting future' published in 2002, to implement the feasible recommendations made therein, and at the same time conduct studies on those areas not covered by the Report for the purpose of formulating a long-term policy on sports, and to draw up a 10-year blueprint for sports development, set objectives for community-wide participation in sports, and undertake planning for local athletes' training; ~~regardless of whether the bid to host the Asian Games is successful or not, the Government should allocate \$6 billion~~*

~~for establishing a ‘Sports Fund’, with a view to promoting the policy on community-wide participation in sports and enhancing training for local athletes;~~

- (b) *regardless of whether the bid to host the Asian Games is successful or not, the Government should split the ‘Arts and Sports Development Fund’ and allocate \$6 billion for establishing a ‘Sports Development Fund’, with a view to promoting the policy on community-wide participation in sports, and to enhance training for local athletes and invest more resources, so as to promote sports development;*
- ~~(b)~~(c) to establish a mechanism for protecting current and retired athletes, provide scholarships for their pursuit of further studies overseas or locally, and put in place measures ~~to ensure their employment~~ *for employment training and support*; and by making reference to overseas experience, to provide commercial organizations with tax concessions, so as to encourage the trades to employ current or retired athletes;
- ~~(c)~~(d) to allocate funds for supporting athletes’ after-training academic learning, with a view to providing them with learning assistance in foundation academic subjects, and to hold discussions with universities on allocating additional resources for ~~providing places specifically for athletes~~ *assisting athletes in pursuing continuing studies*;
- ~~(d)~~(e) to construct more district sports facilities and venues, and allow members of the public and students to have priority in using such utility-based district sports venues, thereby promoting sports for all;
- ~~(e)~~(f) to improve students’ opportunities to participate in sports, including increasing the number and duration of physical education lessons in secondary and primary schools, so as to cultivate students’ interest in sports;
- ~~(f)~~(g) to make ~~accurate and precise estimation on the costs of~~ *reasonable planning for* constructing sports venues *and estimate the costs involved*, and submit them to the Legislative Council for scrutiny, so that this Council can scrutinize the Government’s applications based on the needs *of different districts and the need* for the development of sports for all and elite sports ~~in different districts; and~~;
- ~~(g)~~(h) to ~~reform~~ *enhance the transparency of* the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and *reform* the various National Sports Associations by requiring them to introduce professional administrative management and increase transparency of their finances, as well as to establish reasonable ~~selection~~ *athletes*

screening and appeal mechanisms, so as to ensure ~~fair treatment of all athletes~~ *fairness*;

- (i) *to standardize the present reward mechanisms for able-bodied athletes and disabled athletes participating in international events of equivalent levels, so as to give fair recognition to the achievements of all athletes; and*
- (j) *to review the terms of reference and composition of the Sports Commission, enlist the participation of more athletes, and enhance the transparency of the Commission.*

Note: Hon Tanya CHAN's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

4. Motion as amended by Hon IP Kwok-him

~~That the Hong Kong Government has decided to bid to host the 2023 Asian Games, but it has not put forward any blueprint for long-term sports development, in that it lacks commitment to promote community-wide participation in sports and has no plan to improve training for local athletes, this Council expresses disappointment in this regard; following the Government's failure to bid to host the 2006 Asian Games 10 years ago, it has failed to honour its undertaking of building sports venues, and the hosting of the 2009 East Asian Games did not foster a culture of promoting community-wide participation in sports, this Council considers that the Hong Kong Government should formulate and implement a long-term policy on sports, enhance training for local athletes and treat them well, take concrete steps to promote sports for all, and establish a sound administrative structure for sports; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to implement the following measures:~~

- (a) to draw up a 10-year blueprint for sports development, set objectives for community-wide participation in sports, and undertake planning for local athletes' training; regardless of whether the bid to host the Asian Games is successful or not, the Government should allocate \$6 billion for establishing a 'Sports Fund', with a view to promoting the policy on community-wide participation in sports and enhancing training for local athletes;
- (b) to establish a mechanism for protecting current and retired athletes, *enhance the living standards of athletes and increase financial subsidies, step up educational services and employment counselling*

for full-time athletes, provide scholarships for their pursuit of further studies overseas or locally, and put in place measures to ensure their employment; and by making reference to overseas experience, to provide commercial organizations with tax concessions, so as to encourage the trades to employ current or retired athletes;

- (c) to allocate funds for supporting athletes' after-training academic learning, with a view to providing them with learning assistance in foundation academic subjects, and to hold discussions with universities on allocating additional resources for providing places specifically for athletes;
- (d) to construct more district sports facilities and venues, *and in accordance with the works timetable formulated for bidding to host the Asian Games, finalize the projects for the various district sports facilities planned for construction, redevelopment and facilities upgrading*, and allow members of the public and students to have priority in using such utility-based district sports venues, thereby promoting sports for all;
- (e) to improve students' opportunities to participate in sports, including increasing the number and duration of physical education lessons in secondary and primary schools, so as to cultivate students' interest in sports;
- (f) *to further expand the succession training scheme for young athletes, and enhance the recruitment, identification and training of young athletes at the district level and the level of National Sports Associations;*
- (g) *to introduce Elderly Sports Vouchers to provide subsidies for elderly persons enrolling in sports classes;*
- (~~f~~)(h) to make accurate and precise estimation on the costs of constructing sports venues and submit them to the Legislative Council for scrutiny, so that this Council can scrutinize the Government's applications based on the needs for the development of sports for all and elite sports in different districts; and
- (~~g~~)(i) ~~to reform~~ *on the premise of respecting the autonomous operation of the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and the various National Sports Associations by requiring them to introduce professional administrative management and increase transparency of their finances, as well as to establish reasonable selection and appeal mechanisms, to continue to promote co-ordination*

between the two sides, and assist the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and the various National Sports Associations in upgrading the transparency of their administrative management, finances and selection mechanisms, so as to ensure fair treatment of all athletes.

Note: Hon IP Kwok-him's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.